26 AUG 1961

Honorable David E. Bell Com of Director
Bureau of the Budget
Executive Office Building
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bell:

I have reviewed the finrolled Bill, H. R. 8599, "To amend various sections of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the EURATOM Geoperation Act of 1958, and for other purposes." Only Section 6 of this bill is of concern to this Agency. This Section would permit the Atomic Energy Commission to grant access to Restricted Data to our employees on the basis of a Central Intelligence Agency security clearance and investigative report. This would eliminate duplication and time-consuming investigations which are required by present law.

By letter of 15 March 1961 the Agency commented favorably on the Atomic Energy's draft bill which contained identical language. I believe the provisions of Section 5 of the bill would materially assist our activities and, therefore, I favor its enactment. However, my views are restricted to Section 5 since the remainder of the bill deals with matters which are not within the responsibility of this Agency.

Sincerely.

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Attached is a proposed letter to the Bureau of the Budget commenting on an Enrolled Bill which is the Atomic Energy Commission Omnibus Bill. We are concerned only with Section 6 which authorizes AEC to grant access to restricted data to Agency employees on the basis of our investigations. We favor enactment of this Section and so state in the proposed letter which we recommend you sign.

JOHN S. WARNER Legislative Counsel

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